

County of San Luis Obispo Agricultural Liaison Advisory Board

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Agricultural Liaison
Advisory Board (ALAB)

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DATE: January 27, 2015

TO: San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors

SUBJECT: New agricultural industry representative category to the Agricultural Liaison Advisory Board (ALAB)

At the January 5th, 2015 meeting, the members of the Agricultural Liaison Advisory Board (ALAB) unanimously voted to request that the Board of Supervisors support the addition of one new agricultural industry representative category to ALAB.

The industry category proposed for addition is a strawberry representative. ALAB members discussed the importance of having representation from this agricultural sector due to its growth into one of the largest agricultural industries in the county, and the recognition that a strawberry representative should be present on a board that deliberates and advises on agriculture for San Luis Obispo County.

Thank you for your consideration of this recommendation.

Sincerely,

Jean-Pierre Wolff, Ph.D.
ALAB Chair